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Look after what makes the Tweed
the Tweed. *Our water.*



Being prepared for unpredictable weather scenarios, such as Tropical Cyclone Alfred, can make all the difference.

Flood preparedness and information

Council recognises this is an anxious time for residents of the Tweed and while we can't control the weather, we want to assure you that there has been a lot of work done in the background over the last three years - and even earlier - to prepare for natural disasters like Tropical Cyclone Alfred.

In that time, Tweed Shire Council has deepened our connections with the SES and the Red Cross and with their help we've expanded the Community Resilience Network. This network now includes 30 community groups, 17 non-profit groups and 7 government agencies. We've all been working together to prepare for these kinds of events and we've kept each other informed every step along the way.

There was funding from both the State and Federal government after the 2022 floods which allowed us to do a range of flood mitigation projects like the Murwillumbah Pump Stations and Flood Levee Repair Program. Council is hopeful that even if these measures can't stop flooding from occurring, they

might mean that life can get back to normal quicker than before.

During emergency preparation times like these all the lead agencies including the SES and Council have ongoing regular meetings. These meetings cover a wide range of contingencies and plans on issues like tree removal and internet access. Each group is doing everything they can to get prepared and enable you to as well.

So, while the NSW SES continues to be the lead government agency during natural disasters, Council will share resources and add some of our own such as [flood monitoring cameras](#), our [Emergency Dashboard](#) emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au and emergency information webpages.

For your own information, please use our Council's [Emergency Dashboard](#) and social media channels like [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). There you'll find what you need to know about next steps for you and your property.

Get a better deal on your electricity - visit our pop-up stall



Keen to save some \$\$\$ on your energy bills? Come and see us at our Pop-up Stall.

Tweed residents looking to save money on their energy bills can visit Council's Power Pop Up stall at Tweed City Shopping Centre on Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 March.

Council staff and an independent accredited home

energy assessor will be available to provide information at a drop-in stall outside Mathers Shoes from 10 am to 2 pm.

You'll be able to get help reading energy bills, reviewing energy plans and checking to see if you're eligible for rebates. You can also find out more about solar and batteries.

Drop in any time, no bookings required. Please bring a recent electricity bill.

These sessions are part of Council's commitment to reduce the community's impact on the environment and adapt to climate change for a sustainable future.

Find out more at tweed.nsw.gov.au/saving-energy

Entries now open for the Olive Cotton Awards

The Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre is inviting photographers nationally to submit entries for the 2025 Olive Cotton Award. This year marks 20 years since the Olive Cotton Award launched in 2005.

Named after iconic Australian photographer Olive Cotton, the prestigious \$20,000 Award recognises excellence in photographic portraiture and is open to photographic artists from across Australia.

"The award will continue to honour the enduring legacy of Olive Cotton - to have her daughter Sally McInerney return to the panel for the first time since the inaugural award is a fitting way to recognise this milestone," Gallery Director, Ingrid Hedgcock said.

Submissions for the 2025 Olive Cotton Award are open until 5pm Tuesday 13 May.

Finalist works will be exhibited at the Gallery from

Saturday 17 August - Sunday 2 November, with winners announced on Saturday 30 August



Professional photographers or budding enthusiasts, submit your portraiture photos before 13 May 2025.

In brief...

Tweed Emergency Dashboard

The Tweed Emergency Dashboard provides a 24/7 source of real-time emergency information for residents, businesses and visitors to the Tweed.

Listen to ABC radio, view the flood cameras, and keep updated about weather warnings, power outages, road closures and more. To find out more, visit: emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au

Bookmark it or save it to your home screen.

Reminder to secure your bins during storms

Tweed residents are advised to secure their bins during the upcoming storm period.

With strong winds and potential flooding predicted in the Tweed Shire, Council is reminding everyone to secure their bins to prevent them from tipping over, blowing away or causing debris.

Bins can be tied to a fence or sturdy structure using straps or ropes.

During the 2022 flood event, more than 800 bins were lost, causing inconvenience for residents for many weeks. Taking precautions now can help avoid later disruptions.

Please Note: Bin collection services for Thursday 6 March and Friday 7 March have been cancelled. Further advice on rescheduled collections will be provided as information becomes available. Please check the Tweed [Emergency Dashboard](#) for the latest updates.



Fallen trees are hazardous during storms - here's what to do.

What should you do if you come across a fallen tree?

High winds may result in fallen trees and branches.

- If it's across a road, call us ASAP 24/7 on **02 6670 2400**.
- If it's fallen into power lines, call Essential Energy ASAP 24/7 on **13 23 91**.
- If it's fallen onto your property or blocking access, call the SES 24/7 on **132 500**.
- In life threatening situations, call **000**.

Non urgent Council issues can be reported online 24/7 tweed.nsw.gov.au/report-problem

Get Tweed Link early

Be one of the first to see all the latest news from Tweed Shire Council each week.

Subscribers to Tweed Link receive it by email each week on Wednesday mornings, in addition to it appearing in print in the Tweed Valley Weekly on Thursdays.

But that's not all - you can also subscribe to Council job alerts, media releases and a range of e-newsletters and Council facility program alerts.

Sign up at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe



Hard waste collection cancelled this week

Due to the strong winds and heavy rains predicted in the Tweed Shire this week, hard waste collections for Thursday 6 March and Friday 7 March have been cancelled.

Council's contractor will contact residents with bookings on these days to reschedule for a later date.

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Temporary closure of Faulks Park toilets

The Faulks Park toilets in Kingscliff have been temporarily closed due to a failure of 2 main pumps. This closure is essential for the safety of all park users while we await replacement pumps.

Portable toilets have been set up to accommodate visitors during this closure and the defibrillator outside the toilet block will remain easily accessible for emergency use.

We anticipate the toilets will be back in operation within 1-2 weeks, depending on availability of parts. We apologise for any inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

For other public toilet locations in the Kingscliff area, please visit the national public toilet map: toiletmap.gov.au

Council steps up efforts on green load contamination

Council is calling on residents and commercial businesses to ensure that all green waste brought to the tip is clean and plastic-free.

This comes after a recent spike in contamination at Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre.

Tweed residents and commercial operators can self-haul green waste to the centre, where it is processed, treated and tested in line with EPA requirements. The resulting mulch is then used on public land and sold for community use.

Council's Project and Operations Officer David Bell highlighted the importance of keeping green waste free from contaminants.

"Over the past year, we've processed around 5,500 tonnes of green waste into high-quality mulch that benefits our parks and open spaces instead of going to landfill," Mr Bell said.

"However, contamination from plastics and other non-compostable materials can render the mulch unusable. Not only is this a huge waste of a valuable resource but the community has to front the cost of this material being landfilled."

To help reduce contamination, Council will be increasing inspections of green waste at Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre. Contaminated loads will either be rejected or redirected to landfill, with disposal charged at landfill rates.

For more information on what you can take to the tweed.nsw.gov.au/tip-resource-recovery



Make sure your green load is free from plastics and other non-compostable materials the next time you visit the tip.

TRAC pool closures

With Tropical Cyclone Alfred predicted to impact the region this week, our centres will be temporarily closing for safety reasons.

Murwillumbah centre (including Starting Block Cafe) – Closing 12 pm (midday) Wednesday 5 March, planned to reopen 8 am Sunday 9 March (weather permitting).

Kingscliff centre – Closing 12 pm (midday) Thursday 6 March, planned to reopen 7 am Sunday 9 March (weather permitting).

Tweed Heads South centre – Closed Friday 7 March, planned to reopen 10 am Sunday 9 March (weather permitting).

All Squad, Learn to Swim and Aqua classes will be cancelled during these times.

Council will continue to monitor the situation and provide further updates as required.



Green energy grants for community groups

Are you a local community group that's keen to make the transition to green energy?

Essential Energy is currently offering grants of up to \$15,000 for initiatives which support the environment, education and resilience towards greener energy.

Examples could include:

- creating community gardens
- assisting with solar and battery installations on community buildings
- implementing a waste reduction program
- funding workshops that help communities improve energy efficiency and electrification in homes and businesses.

Community facilities such as halls, sporting clubs and not-for-profit organisations are encouraged to apply. Applications close Monday 31 March 2025.

Don't miss out – apply today! For more information and to apply, visit:

essentialenergy.com.au/essentialgrants

Request for offer

RFO – QU3000039 – Watersports – Call for businesses: hire out equipment at 4 creek side locations.



Tweed Shire Council is inviting offers from businesses to provide non-motorised aquatic hire equipment, including kayaks, SUPs and other watercraft at 4 sites: Jack Evans Boat Harbour, Kingscliff, Hastings Point and Pottsville's Mooball Creek (a new location).

Contract period: 3 years, with potential extension.

Interested businesses must submit offers before the closing date at tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders.

Offers close: Wednesday 26 March 2025, 4 pm AEDST.

Offers must be lodged as specified in the offer documentation.

All offers will be opened at closing time and will be considered by Council in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *NSW Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*. The lowest or any offer is not necessarily accepted and canvassing of Councillors or staff will disqualify. For further information please contact Amelia Pitt on 02 6670 2400.

Current vacancies

Visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive **Job Vacancy Alerts** via email at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe

WATER WEEK 9



Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Given the current weather forecast, the following meetings will be held virtually, commencing at 3.30 pm. For access on the day, go to:

Planning Committee Meeting link
tweed.civicclerk.com.au/web/Player
Council Meeting Link
tweed.civicclerk.com.au/web/Player

If conditions worsen, there may be a decision taken to postpone this meeting. This will be also be advised via the Tweed Shire Council website.

Planning Committee Meeting Agenda – Thursday 6 March 2025 – VIRTUAL ONLY

The Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for Thursday 6 March 2025 is available on Council's website tweed.nsw.gov.au/councillors-meetings. The meeting will be held virtually commencing at 3:30 pm.

Agenda

Reports for consideration

- 8.1. Development Application **DA23/0502** for the demolition of existing structures and the construction of a mixed-use development comprising two levels of basement car parking, ground level retail and food and drink premises, two levels of shoptop housing (12 apartments), rooftop swimming pool and landscaped area, 18 lot strata subdivision and associated signage at Lots 1 and 2 Section 5 DP 29748 Nos 34 and 36 Tweed Coast Road, **Cabarita Beach**
- 8.2. Development Application **DA23/0571** for a residential flat building consisting of 5 units over four storeys and at grade carparking including a swimming pool and associated demolition, earthworks and tree removal at Lot 8 Section 6 DP 30043 No. 44 Hastings Road, **Bogangar**

Council Meeting Agenda – Thursday 6 March 2025 – VIRTUAL ONLY

The Council Meeting Agenda for Thursday 6 March 2025 is available on Council's website tweed.nsw.gov.au/councillors-meetings. The meeting will be held virtually commencing at 3.30pm.

Agenda

Reports for consideration

Confirmation of Minutes

- 3.1. Adoption of Recommendations from Planning Committee meeting held Thursday 6 March 2025

Reports from the Director Corporate Services

- 15.1. TEN000030 Supply of Services – Data Migration, Integration, Specialised Services and Data Cleansing

Reports from the Director Planning and Regulation in Committee

- 26.1. Non-compliance with Development Control Order, unlawful land use, and unlawful buildings and structures at 99 Wilman Road, Round Mountain

The agenda for these meetings, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meetings and is available on Council's website. It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public. Also, the minutes of these meetings will be available as soon as practical following the meetings and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting. Please be aware that meetings are livestreamed, and video recordings will be available on Council's website following the meeting. A person's image and/or voice may be broadcast. Attendance at the meeting is to be taken as consent by a person to their image and/or voice being webcast.



FABS Craft Market + Art Exhibition

Sunday 15 March | 9am – 2pm
Banora Point Community Centre

Enjoy a fun-filled day of art, craft, and family-friendly activities. Includes market stalls, art exhibition with works made by local seniors, community sausage sizzle + coffee cart and even some local alpacas!

Presented by Fun Activities for Banora Seniors (FABS)

Burringbar Village Character Statement needs your input

Council is currently seeking feedback on the draft Burringbar Village Character Statement.

The statement was developed by Tweed Shire Council in collaboration with the Burringbar Community Association and heritage consultant, Extent Heritage.

It provides historical context and an analysis of Burringbar's key built and landscape features contributing to its unique character. The document will guide future planning and development decisions to help retain the village's charm, while allowing thoughtful, sustainable growth.

Local residents are invited to a Town Hall meeting to review and discuss the draft Character Statement at the Burringbar School of Arts Community Hall on Tuesday 11 March from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Representatives from the NSW Reconstruction Authority will also be at the meeting and available to connect with the community and discuss insights from the Burringbar and Mooball Community Workshop held in September 2024.

Can't make the event? Have your say online, visit: yoursaytweed.nsw.gov.au/burringbar-3, download the

draft Character Statement or submit your feedback through our online feedback form by 9 April 2025.

Community consultation on the draft Character Statement is open from 26 March to 9 April 2025.



Don't miss the opportunity to submit your feedback on the Burringbar Village Draft Character Statement. Submissions close 9 April.

Development application determinations

Notification of development application determinations for the purposes of Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (as amended).

Application details

Approved

DA24/0259 - Use of deck, external stairs and construction of privacy screen and glass balustrade and reconstruction of decking that is within 900mm from the allotment boundary Lot 7 NPP 270365, Unit 7/No. 3 Buncrana Terrace, **Banora Point**

DA24/0564 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage, carport within front building line and inground swimming pool Lot 443 DP 221546, No. 9 Mimosa Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA24/0362 - Dwelling with attached garage and decommissioning of existing dwelling

Lot 1 DP 877100, No. 60 Commissioners Creek Road, **Doon Doon**

DA24/0578 - Use of alterations and additions including house raise

Lot 1 DP 369445, No. 5879 Tweed Valley Way, **Mooball**

DA24/0611 - Partial above ground swimming pool with associated decking

Lot 119 DP 1139107, No. 10 Coral Fern Circuit, **Murwillumbah**

DA24/0628 - Swimming pool and associated decking

Lot 23 DP 870463, No. 10 Gumtree Court, **Nunderi**

DA24/0368 - Use deck extension

Lot 1 SP 83665, Unit 1/No. 27 Newcastle Drive, **Pottsville**

DA24/0488 - Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling including house raising

Lot 11 DP 875970, No. 227 Tweed Valley Way, **South Murwillumbah**

DA24/0588 - Swimming pool with associated decking and patio roof

Lot 19 DP 240408, No. 8 Holden Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA24/0624 - Shed and carport

Lot 3 DP 24324, No. 29 Sullivan Street, **Tweed Heads South**

DA25/0018 - Demolition of existing shed and new shed/ carport

Lot 17 DP 24324, No. 88 Dry Dock Road, **Tweed Heads South**

DA24/0460 - Demolition of existing dwellings and associated structures and construction of new dwelling and pool in three stages

Lot 7 DP 746485, No. 11 Meadow Place, **Uki**

DA24/0563 - Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including in ground pool and use of existing shed and associated works

Lot 3 DP 1161983, Lot 3 DP 845662, No. 39 Warwick Park Road, **Wooyung**

DA24/0232 - Alterations and additions to Unit 1 of existing dual occupancy including demolition, erection of new carport, earthworks, fencing and retaining wall

Lot 1 SP 32600, SP 32600, Unit 1/No. 26 Gibson Street, **Kingscliff**

DA24/0271 - Alterations and additions to existing dual occupancy including new pool

Lot 310 DP 30961, No. 35 Gollan Drive, **Tweed Heads West**

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au



Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed



Notice of intention to dispose of Council-owned land

Tweed Shire Council has identified 2 properties known as 39 and 41 West End Street in Murwillumbah (Lots 5 & 6 in DP1303298) as being surplus to Council requirements and as such are now available for disposal.

Council has now resolved to advertise its intention to dispose of the two (2) properties in accordance with Council's Disposal of Land Policy v1.3.

Have your say

All interested persons are invited to make submissions concerning the proposal by 5 pm Wednesday 2 April 2025.

- Email: tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au
- Online: yoursaytweed.com.au/westendst
- Mail: General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah 2484

Please note that under the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*, such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration. Once the submission period is completed, Tweed Shire Council will consider (via a Council Meeting) all duly made submissions before deciding whether to continue with the disposal of the properties.

The aerial image below shows the 2 lots on 39 & 41 West End Street, Murwillumbah (highlighted in blue).



Proposed Naming of Roads within Precinct 4, Kings Forest Sub-division

In accordance with section 162(1) of the Roads Act 1993 as amended, Council gives notice that it proposes to name the roads dedicated in a plan of subdivision of Lot 7 in **DP1270901** (MPO8_0194) in Kings Forest, Tweed Shire as shown below:

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| • Boiling Pot Street | • Merewether Street |
| • Burleigh Way | • Narrow Neck Lane |
| • Burnie Drive | • Point Danger Road |
| • Cow Bombie Street | • Red Bluff Way |
| • Curl Curl Way | • Seal Rocks Lane |
| • Freshwater Street | • Strickland Bay Lane |
| • Gracetown Street | • Super Bank Road |
| • Guillotines Street | • Waits Drive |
| • Jan Juc Lane | • Winki Pop Street |

Have your say

You may lodge a written objection to the proposed naming stating that reasons for your objections by 5 pm, Wednesday, 26 March 2025.

- Email: tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au
- Online: yoursaytweed.nsw.gov.au/kingsforestreeds
- Mail: General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah 2484

Proposed Naming of Roads in Subdivision, Warana Avenue, Bray Park

Council proposes to name the road dedicated in a plan of subdivision of Lot 4 in 381676, 21 Warana Avenue, Bray Park in accordance with section 162(1) of the Roads Act 1993 as amended:

- **Ducat Court**

Have your say

You may lodge a written objection to the proposed naming stating the reasons for your objections by 5 pm, Wednesday, 26 March 2025.

- Email: tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au
- Online: yoursaytweed.com.au/warana
- Mail: General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah 2484

Council confidentiality policy: On request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality however, the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* may require confidential submissions to be released to an applicant.

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